

Substitute Bill No. 484

February Session, 2002

AN ACT CONCERNING INTERNET PRIVACY AND UNSOLICITED ELECTRONIC MAIL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2002) (a) No provider of
- 2 Internet services shall record the Internet sites accessed by an
- 3 individual customer.
- 4 (b) The Attorney General may bring an action in the Superior Court
- 5 against a provider of Internet Services that violates the provisions of
- 6 this section and may recover a civil penalty of not more than two
- 7 hundred dollars per violation.
- 8 Sec. 2. Section 52-570c of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 9 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):
- 10 (a) No person shall use a machine that electronically transmits
- 11 facsimiles through connection with a telephone network or a device
- 12 that automatically transmits a recorded telephone message to transmit
- 13 unsolicited advertising material or an unsolicited telephone message
- 14 which offers to sell goods or services.
- (b) (1) No person shall send by electronic mail, or cause to be sent by
- 16 electronic mail, documents consisting of unsolicited advertising
- 17 material unless: (A) Such person identifies in the electronic mail a toll-
- 18 free telephone number or a valid return electronic mail address that

- 19 the recipient of the unsolicited documents may use to notify the sender
- 20 to not send any further unsolicited electronic mail, and (B) the subject
- 21 <u>line of the electronic mail identifies the document as an advertisement.</u>
- 22 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this section,
- 23 no person shall send by electronic mail, or cause to be sent by
- 24 electronic mail, documents consisting of unsolicited advertising
- 25 material upon notification by a recipient of his or her request to not
- 26 receive any further such documents.
- 27 (3) For purposes of this subsection, "person" does not mean an electronic mail service provider, as defined in section 53-451.
- 29 [(b)] (c) Any person aggrieved by a violation of the provisions of
- 30 [subsection (a) of] this section may bring a civil action in the Superior
- 31 Court to enjoin further violations and to recover the actual damages
- 32 sustained by reason of such violation, together with costs and a
- reasonable attorney's fee, or two hundred dollars, whichever is greater.
- No such action shall be brought but within two years from the date of
- 35 the act complained of.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2002
Sec. 2	October 1, 2002

ET Joint Favorable Subst. C/R

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